

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Washino et al

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Examiner:

For: VIDEO MONITORING AND CONFERENCING SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the same as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

SUB(B))

1) (Amended) A video storage and display system,

comprising:

a plurality of video cameras, each outputting a signal representative of a video image;

means to receive the signals from each camera and digitally compress the images; and

a computer <u>configured</u> to <u>receive</u> the <u>digitally</u> <u>compressed images</u>, the <u>computer</u> <u>being</u> interfaced to the following devices:

a display screen,

means to receive [an] <u>externally derived</u> operator <u>commands</u> [input], and

a high-capacity storage medium,

[the computer being] and programmed to perform the following functions:

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